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In re Patent Application of :

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Serial No.: 09/938,668 ) Examiner: NOT YET ASSIGNED  
Filed: August 27, 2001 )  
For: POLYACRYLAMIDE HYDROGEL FOR ARTHRITIS

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
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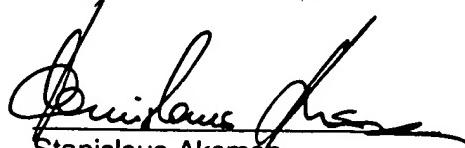
Responsive to the attached copy of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" ("Notice") mailed September 27, 2001, Applicant submits herewith a signed Declaration. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that a filing date of August 27, 2001, be granted to this application.

A Preliminary Amendment enclosing an Abstract of the Disclosure, also required by the Notice, is filed herewith.

A check in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed for the fee for late filing of the Declaration. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the PTO charges, including extension of time petitions, please charge or credit any difference to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Responsive to the attached copy of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" ("Second Notice") mailed May 29, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the Second Notice since a signed Declaration was filed on November 26, 2001.

In particular, the Second Notice indicated that the Oath or Declaration was unsigned and a signed Oath or Declaration was required. Applicant respectfully points out that on November 26, 2001, he filed a Response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application ("Response to First Notice") mailed September 27, 2001. Together with the Response to First Notice, Applicant included a signed Declaration. Enclosed are copies of: the Response to First Notice; the signed Declaration attached thereto; and a date-stamped postcard indicating receipt of the aforementioned documents on November 26, 2001.

In view of the above, Applicant requests withdrawal of the Second Notice dated May 29, 2002.

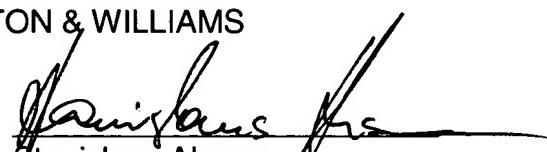
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Applicant believes that no fees are associated in connection with this Response.  
In the event that any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge  
these fees to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
on the date stamped hereon:

1. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts; Signed Declaration
2. Preliminary Amendment; Abstract
3. Assignment Transmittal; Assignment
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